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Applicants: Margaret Gwyn Latimer et al. Docket No.: 14377.1
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Transmittal Letter

**Request for Divisional Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1)
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request the filing of a divisional application in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)(1) of the below-identified prior application.

The prior application is identified as follows:

1. Serial number: 09/212,797
2. Filing Date: 12/16/98
3. Title as originally filed: Resilient Fluid Management Materials for Personal Care Products
4. Applicants as originally filed: Margaret Gwyn Latimer and Roland Columbus Smith, Jr.
5. Address of First Named Applicant in Prior Application: 115 Jones Bridge Woods Place, Alpharetta, Georgia 30022
6. Correspondence Address of Prior Application: Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54957-0349

The prior application is currently pending before Examiner Pratt in Group 1771. The entirety of the prior application is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

Enclosed is a copy, as originally filed, of the above-identified prior application which includes twenty-four (24) pages of specification, the specification including a one (1) page Abstract, sixteen (16) claims, and nine (9) sheets of drawings.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney showing the signatures of the inventors in the prior application. If applicable, a copy of any amendments referred to in the oath or declaration is also enclosed.

This application is filed by the same inventors named in the prior application.

Please amend the specification of this application by inserting, at the beginning thereof, the following:

A) -- This application is a divisional of application serial number 09/212,797 entitled "Resilient Fluid Management Materials for Personal Care Products" and filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 16, 1998. The entirety of application serial number 09/212,797 is hereby incorporated by reference. --

Please delete claims 1-12 from this application.

And, if indicated:

- A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- Please consider the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 and copies of the documents (excluding pending applications) cited therein. Pending applications are recited on a separate sheet to avoid their being printed on the face of any patent issuing herefrom.

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Please address all correspondence to: James B. Robinson, Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54957-0349.

This transmittal letter is submitted in duplicate.

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Respectfully submitted,

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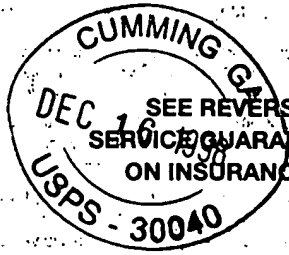
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